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NASA HONOR AWARDS					
Distinguished Public Service Medal (DPSM)	Recognizes individuals whose distinguished accomplishments contributed substantially to the NASA mission. The contribution must be so extraordinary that other forms of recognition by NASA would be inadequate.	Supervisor	Non-government employee	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Distinguished Service Medal (DSM)	Recognizes distinguished contributions of substantial progress to the NASA mission in the interest of the United States.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Equal Employment Opportunity Medal (EEOM)	Recognizes outstanding achievement and material contribution to the goals of the EEO programs either within the government or community.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Exceptional Achievement Medal (EAM)	Recognizes significant, specific accomplishments or contributions clearly characterized by a substantial improvement in operation, efficiency, service, financial savings, science, or technology that contributes to the NASA mission.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Exceptional Bravery Medal (EBM)	Recognizes exemplary and courageous handling of an emergency in NASA activities by an individual who, independent of personal danger, has acted to prevent the loss of human life or government property.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Exceptional Engineering Achievement Medal (EEAM)	Recognizes unusually significant engineering contributions toward achievement of the NASA mission. Award may be given for individual efforts that have resulted in a contribution of fundamental importance in this field or enhanced understanding.	Supervisor	Civil Service and non government employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November

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Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal (ESAM)	Recognizes significant scientific accomplishments that contribute to the NASA mission. Award may be given for individual efforts that have resulted in a contribution of fundamental importance in this field or having significantly enhanced understanding	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Exceptional Service Medal (ESM)	Recognizes significant achievement or service characterized by unusual initiative or creative ability that clearly demonstrates substantial improvement in engineering, aeronautics, space flight, administration, support, or space-related endeavors	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Outstanding Leadership Medal (OLM)	Recognizes outstanding leadership that has a pronounced effect upon the technical or administrative programs of NASA. The leadership award may be given for an act of leadership or for sustained contributions based on an individuals' effectiveness.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Public Service Group Achievement Award (PSGAA)	Recognizes the outstanding accomplishment of a group that has contributed substantially to the NASA mission.	Supervisor	Non-government employees	Certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Public Service Medal (PSM)	Recognizes exceptional contributions related to the accomplishments of the NASA mission.	Supervisor	Non-government employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November
Space Flight Medal (SFM)	Recognizes individual participations in a Space Transportation System (STS) flight mission for STS flight crew members	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Medal & certificate	October Call letter; nominations due early November

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INVENTION AWARDS					
Invention Awards	Recognizes development and disclosure of inventions made to the benefit of the Federal Government and/or the public	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Amounts vary	Nominations accepted throughout the year
SPACE FLIGHT AWARENESS AWARDS					
Launch Honoree Event	Honors outstanding individuals who have performed exemplary work in support of our nation's space program	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees, except management	Attend launch or landing	Nomination call held twice a year
Space Flight Awareness Team Award	Recognizes demonstrated exemplary teamwork while accomplishing a particular task or goal in support of the manned space program	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Certificate & commemorative flag flown on Space Shuttle	Nominations accepted throughout the year
Silver Snoopy Award	Provides special recognition for outstanding efforts in support of NASA's manned space flight program. It is the astronaut's personal achievement award	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Silver Snoopy pin that has been on a Space Shuttle flight, certificate, and letter presented by an astronaut	Nominations accepted throughout the year
Space Station Freedom Award of Merit	Recognizes individuals and teams who have performed in an outstanding manner and contributed to the success of the Space Station Freedom	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Space Station Freedom pin, letter of commendation, and Award of Merit signed by an astronaut	Nominations accepted throughout the year

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CENTER SPONSORED AWARDS					
H. Julian Allen Award	Recognizes best paper written by an Ames researcher(s); the major impact of the paper must have been realized within two years prior to the nomination	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	\$5,000	Memorandum
Ames Associate Fellow	Recognizes distinguished scientific research or outstanding engineering of a non-management related nature	Supervisor	Ames/Army researchers and engineers up to the level of Branch Chief	\$2,000	Memorandum
Ames Hazardous Waste Minimization Award	Provides an incentive for individuals or groups who significantly minimize hazardous waste generated during their daily operations and activities	Supervisor	Civil service and on-site support contractors	Cash award & certificate	Nominations accepted throughout the year
Ames Honor Awards	Recognizes individuals and groups in specific award categories. Details are outlined in a memo to staff	Employees & Supervisors	Civil service employees and contractors	\$600 to civil service employees & certificate; non-civil service receive a non-monetary memento	Memorandum
Certified Professional Secretaries (CPS) Award	Recognizes the successful completion of the CPS exam	Supervisor	Administrative support staff personnel	\$600 & desk plaque	Copy of certification papers
Group Achievement Award	Recognizes the most significant accomplishment resulting from outstanding teamwork convening a consecutive six-month period	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Shares may be equally or proportionally distributed with a minimum of \$150/person	Complete an ARC 102

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Performance Award	Recognizes sustained superior performance of duties and responsibilities covering a consecutive six-month period. Employees must have received a Meets or Exceeds rating in their last official performance rating.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Awards up to \$1,500 require Division level signature, up to \$3,000 Directorate level, up to \$7,500 Center Director	Complete an ARC 102
Source Evaluation Board (SEB) Award	Recognizes the outstanding efforts of SEB members	Supervisor	SEB members	Cash award amounts vary	Memorandum
Spotlight Award	Recognizes exceptional quality service and provides immediate recognition for an act above and beyond normal duties	Supervisor	Civil service employees except SES and GM employees	Up to \$500	A maximum of three awards in a 12-month period
Superior Accomplishment Award	Recognizes superior performance of a one-time special act, service, or achievement of nonrecurring nature outside performance plan	Supervisor	Civil service employees	See scale	Same approval as a Performance Award
NON-MONETARY AWARDS					
Time-Off Award	Recognizes individuals for superior accomplishment or sustained high-level performance	Supervisor	Civil service employees below SES level	up to 40 hours; or 80 hours annually	Complete an ARC 104
Vertical Motion Simulator (VMS) Demonstration Employee Recognition Program	Recognizes individuals for outstanding performance or superior accomplishments of a one-time effort	Supervisor	Civil service and on site support service contractors	VMS demonstration of space shuttle approach and landing	Nominations accepted throughout the year
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL CONTRIBUTION AWARDS					

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Scientific and Technical Contribution Awards	Recognizes scientific and technical contributions having significant value in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities	Supervisor	Any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or institution	\$1,000 or less	Memorandum
Space Act Awards	Recognizes inventions and other scientific and technical contributions that have helped NASA's aeronautical and space goals in the past and to stimulate and encourage the creation and reporting of similar contributions in the future	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Amounts vary for civil service employees; \$50 minimum; non-civil service receive a non-monetary memento	Nominations accepted throughout the year
Suggestion Awards	Acknowledges a constructive proposal submitted in writing by one or more employees that directly contributes to tangible costs savings, productivity, and efficiency, or directly increases effectiveness in carrying out government or NASA operations	Supervisor	Amounts vary for civil service employees; \$50 minimum	Suggestion must be submitted within two years of the date of adoption if the idea has been implemented.	Nominations accepted throughout the year

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NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS-FIRST QUARTER CALL					
Black Engineer of the Year Award	Recognizes the most outstanding Blacks in science, engineering, and business. Recipients of these awards are highly spirited individuals whose contributions best exemplary innovation, hard work, and achievement in a variety of technical fields, business,	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Certificate	Nominations due in October
Frank G. Brewer Trophy	Recognizes individuals, groups, or organizations for significant contributions of enduring value to aviation and space education in the United States	Supervisor	Open	Trophy	Nominations due in November
Executive of the Year Award	Recognizes extraordinary achievement in executive management and leadership	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Presentation at conference	Nominations due in November
Federal Engineer of the Year Award	Recognizes outstanding individual engineers while recognizing the accomplishments of all Federal Government engineers	Supervisor	Civil service employees who qualify as engineers by education or by state engineering license (P.E. or E.I.T.)	Plaque	Nominations due in October
Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership	Recognizes two Federal executives who have demonstrated superior leadership. Award emphasizes the importance of public administration and notes exemplary contributions by career executives to good government	Supervisor	Civil service executives	Bronze plaque and citation	Nominations due in December
Society of Women Engineers Awards	Recognizes the managerial excellence of women engineers	Supervisor	Women only	Not specified	Nominations due in December

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Alan T. Waterman Award	Recognizes an outstanding young scientist in the forefront of science	Supervisor	35 years of age or younger or not more than five years beyond receipt of the Ph.D degree by 12/31 of nominating year	Medal and grant up to \$500 for a period of up to three years of scientific research	Nomination due in December
NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS-SECOND QUARTER CALL					
American Society for Public Administration-National capital Area Chapter Award	Recognizes individuals whose careers or recent accomplishments merit recognition for leadership in public service, contribution to the fields of public administration.	Supervisor	Open	Plaque	Nominations due in February
Bagnoud (Francois-Xavier) Aerospace Prize	Honors outstanding accomplishments in the aerospace field.	Supervisor	Open	\$250,000 honorarium and commemorative piece	Nominations due in January
Barbour (Laura Taber) Air Safety Award	Recognizes notable achievement in the field of aviation safety.	Supervisor	Open	Gold medal, certificate, and honorarium	Nominations due in March
Bush (Vannevar) Award	Recognizes an individual who through public service activities in science and technology has made an outstanding contribution toward the welfare of mankind and the nation.	Supervisor	Senior statesperson, U.S. citizen	Bronze medal	Nominations due in January
Collier (Robert J.) Trophy	Honors the greatest achievement in aeronautics or astronautics in America for improving performance, efficiency, or safety of air or space vehicles during the preceding year.	Supervisor	Open	Trophy to be displayed at NASA at the Smithsonian	Most prestigious of aviation awards; nominations due in January

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Diamond (Harry) Memorial Award	Honors individuals whose contributions have led efforts to effectively transfer/apply federal or state sponsored developments in advanced electrical, electronic, and computer technologies to successful commercial sector opportunities.	Supervisor	Open	Plaque	Nominations due in March
Electrotechnology Transfer Award	Recognizes individuals that effectively transfer and apply Federal or State-sponsored development in advanced electrical, electronic, and computer technologies to successful commercial sector opportunities.	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Not specified	Nominations due in March
Federal Employee of the Year Award	Pays tribute to outstanding Bay Area Federal employees. The program recognizes civilian, military, and postal employees who have demonstrated a high caliber of performance and dedication in various fields, communities or by overcoming severe handicaps.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Certificate and plaque	Nominations solicited annually in the spring. There are 17 award categories.
Federal Environmental Quality Awards	Recognizes exemplary work and accomplishments by environmental engineers	Supervisor	Civil service employees who qualify as environmental engineers	Not specified	Nominations due in March
Flemming (Arthur S.) Award	Honors significant contributions to the Federal government and to their respective communities.	Supervisor	Civil service employees of specific branches of government less than 40 years old with three years of service	Plaque; ceremony in Washington D.C.	Nominations due in January

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FTS2000 Awards	Recognizes individuals in their use of FTS2000 services that improved the quality and/or cost effectiveness of telecommunications services for their agency and FTS2000.	Supervisor	Open	Cash award	Nominations due in February
Institute of Navigation Awards	Recognizes individuals that have made significant contributions or demonstrated outstanding performance relating to navigation.	Supervisor	Open	Plaque	Nominations due in February
Interagency Committee on Information Resources Management	Recognizes Federal government employees who have made significant contributions in the information resources management field.	Supervisor	Open	Not specified	Nominations due in March
Jack (Nelson P.) Award	Honors most outstanding contributions to missiles, aircraft, or space endeavors.	Supervisor	Open	Not specified	Nominations due in January
Jump (William A.) Award	Recognizes outstanding service in administration and notable contributions to the efficiency and quality of public service.	Supervisor	Civil service employees less than 37 years of age as of December 31 of award year, and with no less than five years service	Gold Key and certificate	Nominations due in February
National Operations Security (OPSEC) Awards	Provides non-monetary awards for excellence in the field of Operations Security.	Supervisor	Open	Not specified	Nominations due in February
National Public Service Awards	Pays tribute to government managers whose careers exhibit the highest standards of dedication, ability, and service.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Awards presented at the ASPA National Conference	Nominations due in February

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Public Service Excellence Awards	Pays tribute to public service organizations whose achievement exhibit the highest standards of dedication, excellence, and accomplishment.	Supervisor	Open	Presented at ceremony Washington D.C.	Nominations due in February
OPM Director's Award for Outstanding Employee Health Services Program	Recognizes exemplary programs and achievement of Federal agencies in establishing comprehensive employee health services programs.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Plaque	Nominations due in March
OPM Director's Award for Outstanding Work and Family Programs	Recognizes individuals and organization who are instrumental in establishing or improving Federal work and family programs.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Plaque and letter of congratulations from the OPM Director	Nominations due in March
Scantlebury (Donald L.) Memorial Award	Recognizes senior financial management executives who, through outstanding and continuous leadership in financial management, have been principally responsible for significant economies, efficiencies, and improvements in the government.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Plaque	Nominations due in January
Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Award	Honors significant contributions in scientific advancement, invention, patent, equipment design, or paper, and demonstrated commitment in encouraging young women in science or engineering.	Supervisor	Women scientist employed by the Federal government	Plaque and honorary citation	Nominations due in January
NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS-THIRD QUARTER CALL					
Aviation Week and Space Technology/Distinguished Service Award	Recognizes distinguished service in achieving safe utilization of aircraft	Supervisor	Open	Certificate and plaque	Nominations due in May

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De Florez (Admiral Luis) Award	Recognizes outstanding individual contributions made through basic design, device, or practice	Supervisor	Open	Citation, honorarium and plaque	Nominations due in April
Excellence in Administration Award	Recognizes outstanding achievements in administration by Federal managers in areas of supply, procurement, automatic data processing, information management, traffic and travel management, telecommunications, building management, real estate management.	Supervisor	Open	Plaque, cash award, and certificate	Nominations due in May
Federal Property Manager of the Year Award	Recognizes an individual whose contribution to the property management field in the Federal Service is regarded as most outstanding by the parent organization and peers.	Supervisor	Open	Certificate	Nominations due in June
National Medal of Science	Awards individuals deserving of special recognition by reason of their outstanding contributions to knowledge in the physical, biological, mathematical, engineering sciences, social, and behavioral sciences.	Supervisor	Open	Medal presented by the President of the United States	Nominations due in June
Nevada Medal Award	Recognizes contributions of scientific or technical nature that promoted significant advances in knowledge of our planet and management of its environmental resources	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Medal	Nominations due in June
Pinkard (Mary D.) Leader in Federal Equity Award	Recognizes Federal employees who have advanced the cause of equity in the Federal Government, contributed to the advancement of equity in the Federal Government at personal and professional risk, & provided a positive role model to other Federal employees	Supervisor	Open	Not specified	Nominations due in April
President's Council on Management Improvement Award for Management Excellence	Recognizes individuals, groups and agencies whose excellence in support of the overall improvement in the quality of Federal operations and services to the public.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	Plaque and commendation letter	Nominations due in June

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Rotary National Award for Space Achievement	Recognizes an individual who has made notable achievement(s) in the field of space exploration (manned or unmanned) during the preceding 10 years.	Supervisor	U.S. citizen	Not specified	Nominations due in June
Younger Federal Lawyer Award	Recognizes outstanding young Federal, civilian, or military attorneys whose achievements have resulted in a significant benefit to the Federal government and the legal profession, and contributed to the development of public law.	Supervisor	Military or civilian attorney under the age of 36, with three continuing years of Federal service	Not specified	Nominations due in June
NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS-FOURTH QUARTER CALL					
(AAS) American Astronautical Society Awards	Recognizes meritorious accomplishments to the furtherance of the U.S. Space program. Numerous award categories are available.	Supervisor	AAS members	Not specified	Nominations due in July
Achievement in Managing Information Technology Award	Recognizes executives and professionals who have made outstanding contributions to their organizations through the effective use of computer systems and communications technology.	Supervisor	Open	Steuben glass sculpture and honorarium presented in New York City	Nominations due in July
Elder Statesman of Aviation Award	Honors outstanding Americans, who by their efforts over a period of years, have made contributions of significant value to aeronautics and have reflected credit upon America and themselves.	Supervisor	U.S. citizen, with at least 15 years in aeronautics; have qualities of patriotism, integrity, and moral courage, and be 60 years of age or older	Certificate	Nominations due in July

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Executive Excellence Award	Recognizes career Federal executives and careerists in equivalent level positions in the Federal government who have made specific contributions to public service and who have improved the image of the career Senior Executive Service.	Supervisor	Executive Service and equivalent rank civil service employees	Not specified	Nominations due in September
Government Employees Insurance Company (GEICO) Public Service Awards Program	Recognizes special achievement and contributions in one of four fields: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment, Fire Prevention and Treatment, Fire Prevention and Safety, Physical Rehabilitation, and Traffic Safety and Accident Prevention.	Supervisor	Civil service employees	\$2,500, plaque, and trip to Washington D.C. for two	Nominations due in August
Hispanic Engineer National Achievement Award	Recognizes an Hispanic engineer for superior achievement.	Supervisor	Hispanic engineers	Profile in Hispanic Engineer magazine; presentation at Conference	Nominations due in July
Paine (Thomas O.) Memorial Award for the Advancement of Human Exploration of Mars	Recognizes individuals or organizations that have made noteworthy achievement in the pursuit of long-range human exploration of Mars.	Supervisor	Civil service and non-government employees	Plaque and Mars flag	Nominations due in August
Presidential Award for Quality	Provides additional recognition for honorary and/or monetary awards granted by individual agencies. Nominations must be validated by the Inspector General's office.	Supervisor	Civilian and military personnel	Letter of congratulations from the President	Nominations due in September
Quality Improvement Prototype Award	Recognizes organizations that have recently begun the quality transformation process and have successfully adopted quality management principle.	Supervisor	Federal government organizations	Plaque	Nominations due in September
Women in Aerospace Awards	Honors women who may not received public recognition for their work, and who serve as good public examples of the contributions that women can and have made in the field of aerospace.	Supervisor	Women only	Presented at September reception	Nominations due in July

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Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy	Recognizes significant public service of enduring value to aviation in the United States	Supervisor	U.S. citizen	Trophy awarded at the Aero Club of Washington's Annual Wright Brothers Memorial Banquet	Nominations due in July
NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS-OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS	AEROSPACE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (AsMA)				
Bauer (Louis H.) Founders Awards	Recognizes the most significant contribution in space	Supervisor	AsMA member	Certificate and cash award	Nominations due December 15
Boothby-Edwards Awards	Recognizes outstanding research and/or clinical practice directed at the promotion of health and prevention of disease in professional airline pilots.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
Leverett (Sidney D.) Jr. Award Environmental Science Award	Recognizes an individual who has made a significant contributions through a publication in ASEM or by activities in support of aerospace systems operations.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
Liljencrantz (Eric) Award	Recognizes research in acceleration, altitude, or weightlessness	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
Lyster (Theodore C.) Award	Recognizes outstanding achievement in the general field of aerospace medicine.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
Longacre (Raymond F.) Award	Recognizes outstanding accomplishment in the psychological and psychiatric aspects of aerospace medicine.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
Moseley (Harry G.) Award	Recognizes the most outstanding contribution to flight safety.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Plaque and cash award	Nominations due December 15

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Tuttle (Arnold D.) Award	Recognizes original research that has made annually the most significant contribution toward the solution of a challenging problem in aerospace medicine and was published in Aviation, Space and Environmental Medicine.	Supervisor	AsMA member	Varies	Nominations due December 15
NON-NASA EXTERNAL AWARDS	AIAA HONORS AND AWARDS PROGRAM				
AIAA Awards	Recognizes over fifty individual and distinct awards separated into eight categories: major awards, distinguished lectureship awards, technical awards, publication awards, education awards, section awards, service awards, and certificate of merit awards.	Supervisor	AIAA membership unless overriding conditions exist	Varies	A call for nominations is published in Aerospace America